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Photo Festival

Fourth Annual Art in Nature PHOTO FESTIVAL

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Pressing On, William H. Parris, Lincoln, DE

The fourth annual Art in Nature Photo Festival offered photographers of all levels a weekend of educational and hands-on activities related to many different aspects of photography, as well as the opportunity to showcase their work in the Ward Museum's Championship Gallery! More than 180 photographers representing 12 different states and one Canadian province participated in the Photo Festival held August 8-10, 2014. Over 1,000 nature photographs were submitted for competition among five different categories within the professional, amateur and youth divisions.

As contest entries came into the museum, the weekend started with a book signing and the opportunity to meet world-renowned black and white photographer Clyde Butcher in the LaMay Gallery. Butcher and his daughter Jackie talked with museum visitors, took pictures and shared some of their tricks of the trade. This informal discussion was followed by a keynote address at the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center in Salisbury titled "Preserving Eden: The Photography of Clyde Butcher." Butcher kept his audience captivated with the moving story of what it takes to create one of his works: what catches his eye, his planning and timing, as well as logistics. He considered details from which large format camera to use to the negative production and enlargement process.

Saturday and Sunday's lectures, seminars and workshops provided photographers learning opportunities on a variety of subjects, including hummingbird photography, abstract photography and camera selection. Workshops were held on

sunset photography, and birds of prey were made available for a special photo shoot.

The Ward Museum extends a warm thank you to all the staff and volunteers who contributed to the success of the fourth annual Art in Nature Photo Festival. Mark your calendars now for the fifth annual Festival, scheduled for August 7-9, 2015.

Please visit www.wardmuseum.org for more information regarding the 2015 Art in Nature Photo Festival.



BEST IN CATEGORY, PROFESSIONAL
Birds: *Rainbows Rest*, *Rainbow Bee-eater*, *Australia*, Jon Hyde
and Kimberly Sultze, Colchester, VT